IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant:

Yoshiyuki NAKANO et al.

Title:

PRETENSIONER

Appl. No.:

10/064,720

Appl. Filing Date:

08/09/2002

Examiner:

George D. Spisich

Art Unit:

3616

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Number:

REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

Mail Stop RCE Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. This RCE and the enclosed items listed below are being filed prior to the earliest of: (1) payment of the issue fee (unless a petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.313 is granted); (2) abandonment of the application; or (3) the filing of a notice of appeal to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit under 35 U.S.C. §141, or the commencement of a civil action under 35 U.S.C. §145 or §146 (unless the appeal or civil action is terminated).

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. §1.114: (check items that apply)

a.	Previously	submitted:

considered.

[]	Please enter and consider the amendment and/or reply previously filed on
[]	Please consider the Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) previously filed on but not

- Please consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply previously filed on

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- [] Other __.
- b. Enclosed are:
- [] Amendment/Reply.
- [] Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s).
- [X] Information Disclosure Statement (2 pgs.).
- [X] Form PTO/SB/08 with a copy of 1 listed reference.
- [] Other.

Miscellaneous:

[] Suspension of action of the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of __ months.

The filing fee is calculated below:

	Claims as Amended		Previously Paid For	Extra Prese	Claims nt		Rate	I	Fee Totals
RCE Fee 1.17(e):							\$790.00		\$790.00
Total Claims:	16	-	20	= 0		x	\$50.00	=	\$0.00
Independents	4	-	4	= 0		x	\$200.00		\$0.00
First p	resentation o	of any	Multiple D	Dependent	Claims:	+	\$360.00		\$0.00
				(CLAIMS	FEF	E TOTAL:		\$790.00

[] Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for the total number of months checked below:

\$0.00	\$120.00	Extension for response filed within the first month:	[]	
\$0.00	tension for response filed within the second month: \$450.00		[]	
\$0.00	sion for response filed within the third month: \$1,020.00		[]	
\$0.00	\$1,590.00	Extension for response filed within the fourth month:	[]	
\$0.00	extension for response filed within the fifth month: \$2,160.00		[]	
\$0.00	EXTENSION FEE SUBTOTAL:			
\$0.00	EXTENSION FEE ALREADY PAID: -			
\$0.00	EXTENSION FEE TOTAL			
\$790.00	CLAIMS AND EXTENSION FEE TOTAL:			
\$0.00] Small Entity Fees Apply (subtract ½ of above):			
\$0.00	Suspension of action requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c)		[]	
\$7 90.00	TOTAL FEE:			

A credit card payment form in the amount of \$790.00 to cover the filing fee is enclosed.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by the credit card payment form being unsigned, providing incorrect information resulting in a rejected credit card transaction, or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

Please direct all correspondence to the undersigned attorney or agent at the address indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,

Date July 18, 2006

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